**ABSTRACT** 

Compositions and methods are provided for supplementing a nutrition-depleting

beverage. A nutrient supplement typically includes an active ingredient effective to

compensate for the nutrient depletion incurred by consuming the beverage, an excipient, and

a delivery formulation. An active ingredient may include a vitamin, mineral, electrolyte, or

other nutrient. An excipient may include anti-oxidants, pH buffers, flavor masking agents,

odor masking agents, preservatives, timed-release mechanisms, and other excipients added

to the beverage to support delivery of the active ingredient from the beverage to the

bloodstream of a user. A method for increasing nutritional constituents otherwise subject

to a deficiency in a user as a consequence of consumption of a beverage, may include a

method for making and administering a supplemented beverage for increasing nutritional

constituents.

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